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CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Ocean City - Vehicle Laws - "Taxicab" - Definition**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the definition of "taxicab" in Ocean City by increasing the  
4 maximum number of individuals that a motor vehicle for hire may be designed  
5 to carry in order to be considered a taxicab; and generally relating to the  
6 definition of taxicab in Ocean City.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
8 Article - Transportation  
9 Section 11-165  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (2002 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
13 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

14 **Article - Transportation**

15 11-165.

16 (a) "Taxicab" means, except as provided in ~~subsection (b)~~ SUBSECTIONS (B)  
17 AND (C) of this section, a motor vehicle for hire that:

18 (1) Is designed to carry ~~{seven}~~ FIFTEEN or fewer individuals, including  
19 the driver; and

20 (2) Is used to accept or solicit passengers for transportation for hire  
21 between those points along highways in this State as the passengers request.

1 (b) "Taxicab" does not include a motor vehicle operated on regular schedules  
2 and between fixed termini with the approval of the Public Service Commission.

3 (C) NOTWITHSTANDING § 1-101(HH)(1) OF THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANIES  
4 ARTICLE, IN OCEAN CITY, "TAXICAB" MEANS A MOTOR VEHICLE FOR HIRE THAT:

5 (1) IS DESIGNED TO CARRY 15 OR FEWER INDIVIDUALS, INCLUDING THE  
6 DRIVER; AND

7 (2) IS USED TO ACCEPT OR SOLICIT PASSENGERS FOR TRANSPORTATION  
8 FOR HIRE WITHIN OCEAN CITY AND ORIGINATING IN OCEAN CITY TO POINTS IN THIS  
9 STATE AS THE PASSENGERS REQUEST.

10 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
11 June 1, 2004.